

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification at page 1, line 4 as follows:

--Optical Element Module With A Primary Coated Optical Fiber—

Please amend the specification at page 9, line 9 by inserting the following:

--In the description of the preferred embodiments, 23a and 23b represent rubber boots, specifically 23a represents a first rubber boot to which a pipe 24 is fixed and 23b represents a second rubber boot to which a taped optical fiber 22 is fixed.--